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(*b*) secondary schools, and
(*c*) colleges ?

A.—Information in respect of the years 1919–20 to 1921–22 will be found in the Reports on Public Instruction for those years already published. Particulars for 1922–23 will be found in the report which will be published shortly.

Muhammadan girls' schools.

354 *Q*.—Mr. K. ABDUL HYE SAHIB : Will the hon. the Minister for Education be pleased to state whether it is a fact that there are only two Muhammadan girls' schools to serve the needs of the large Muhammadan population of Madras, that both of them are situated in the southern part of the city, and that there are no up-to-date girls' schools corresponding to the above institutions in Georgetown, which is the northern and more important part of the city ?

A.—The answer is in the negative, as there are seven Muhammadan girls' schools in the city situated in Royapetta, Mylapore, Choolai, Perambore, Triplicane (2) and Georgetown.

Amount spent on Muhammadan education.

355 *Q*.—Mr. K. ABDUL HYE SAHIB : Will the hon. the Minister for Education be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that in pre-Reform days a special sum of Rs. 30,000 was allotted for Muhammadan education in this Presidency under the orders of the Government of India out of the recurring grant sanctioned to the Local Government; and

(*b*) if so, whether a like sum is now spent on Muhammadan education ?

A.—(*a*) Yes.
(*b*) Yes. A larger sum is now being spent.

Mr. ABBAS ALI KHAN :—" Will the hon. the Minister for Education be prepared to spend a still larger sum, Sir ? "

The hon. Rao Bahadur Sir A. P. PATRO :—" If the hon. the Finance Member is able to provide me funds for the expansion of education among the Muhammadan community, I shall be very glad to do so."

Mr. YAHYA ALI SAHIB :—" May I know, Sir, whether the larger sum that is now said to be spent is exclusive of the recurring grant made under the orders of the Government of India ? "

The hon. Rao Bahadur Sir A. P. PATRO :—" Yes, the total expenditure is now much higher than what it was before."

The ' Lock Hospital Building ' for the use of the Muhammadan Training School at Bellary.

356 *Q*.—Mr. K. ABDUL HYE SAHIB : Will the hon. the Minister for Education be pleased to state whether it is a fact that the Government of India have handed over permanently the ' Lock Hospital Building ' to the Provincial Government for the use of the Government Muhammadan Training School at Bellary ?